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Box Amendment Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed an amendment and remarks offered in response to the Examiner's Office Action dated 16 January 2003. Please note that a copy of a substantially similar Proposed Amendments and Remarks were faxed on February 28, 2003, however, no responsive communication has been received. It is believed that the following amendments and remarks place pending claims 1-8, and 10-20 in condition for allowance, and allowance of the same are respectfully requested. If the Examiner has further questions, he is requested to respond via telephone for further discussion.

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